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COUNCIL AGENDA:

February 14, 2006

TO:

City Council

VIA:

all Dennis R. Halloway, City Manager

FROM:

T. Jarb Thaipejr, Public Works Director/City Engineer

SUBJECT:

Request to approve Red Curb on Loma Linda Drive and Benton Way between Barton Rd. and Lawton Ave. and Newport Ave., south of

Barton Rd.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Council:

- 1) Install red curbs at the following locations all on the west side of Loma Linda Drive between Barton Rd. and Lawton Ave. a) two car lengths of red curb on the north side of the LLU Rehabilitation Institute north driveway and 20 feet of red curb on the south side of the same driveway; b) 20 feet of red curb on the both sides of the south driveway to the LLU Rehabilitation Institute; c) 20 feet of red curb on both sides of the driveway to the Benton Way Estates; and d) full red curb between the driveways of Benton Way Estates and the LLUMC Rehabilitation Facility in front of the fire hydrant.
- 2) Install 20 feet of red curb on both sides of the driveway of Benton Way Estates on Benton Way south of Lawton Ave.
- 3) Install two car lengths of red curb on the south side of Newport Ave. at the curve.

BACKGROUND

Residents and representative from the Benton Ways Estates, patients and visitors from the LLU Rehabilitation Institute and the general public have expressed concern to the City to the traffic hazards that exist along Loma Linda Dr. In recent weeks, vehicles have been parked regularly along the west side of Loma Linda Dr. between Barton Rd. and Loma Linda Dr. Several of the complaints have been of the site obstruction for vehicles exiting the driveways from the Benton Way Estates and the LLUMC Rehabilitation Facility. Other complaints have been to the insufficient space on Loma Linda Dr. for thru traffic. Vehicles, especially large vehicles, traveling southbound on Loma Linda Dr. are traveling over the center double yellow lines. It is a traffic hazard when there is traffic in both directions. Similar situations occur on the west side of the Benton Way Estates on Benton Rd.

From resident complaints and from staff's observations, there is a traffic hazard which exists on Newport Ave., south of Barton Rd. Vehicles parked along Newport Ave. just passed the curve are

positioned in a hazardous path from traffic traveling northeast around the curve on Newport Ave.. There have been near misses of the parked vehicles. It is a dangerous curve for parked vehicles.

At the September 14, 2006, Traffic Advisory Committee Meeting, the Committee concurred to the traffic hazards that exist at these locations. The Committee recommended the installation of red curb at the specified locations along Loma Linda Dr., Benton Wy., and Newport Dr.

ANALYSIS

The installation of red curb would reduce existing traffic hazards.

ENVIRONMENTAL

None.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Minor costs for paint.

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